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Applicants : David KLATZMAN et al.

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SUPPLEMENTAL  
AMENDMENT

December 23, 1999

Assistant Commissioner for Patents  
Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

This Amendment supplements the amendment filed September 27, 1999.

IN THE CLAIMS:

Please amend claim 17 as follows:

17. (Amended) A composition [pharmaceutical preparation] comprising a recombinant multimeric protein, according to claim 1.

This amendment is intended to facilitate prosecution by adopting a suggestion of the Examiner to broaden and clarify the claim. No fee is due.

Respectfully submitted,

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I hereby certify that I am forwarding herewith a submission via facsimile to the above-noted examiner. This transmission consists of a Supplemental Amendment.

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